

Richard R Lyman  
engineer in Strawberry  
Valley (see p 284 HBUM)

JAMES CAMPBELL AND  
DORCUS MARION  
(MAUDE) WITT

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James Campbell, the youngest son of Thomas Campbell and Elizabeth Davis, was born in Moroni, Utah, August 13, 1864. The following summer, his family moved to Heber and established their permanent home.

James learned at an early age that each member of the family must carry his share of the load. His responsibility was to help herd the cows and later help care for the horses.

When he was 12 years old, he and his brother Bill, who was then 16 years old, took their first wagon load of shingles to the market in Salt Lake City. They drove down through Provo Canyon, camping on the way.

He was married to Dorcus Marion (Maude) Witt November 26, 1896. She was the daughter of John Wesley Witt and Lovina Biglow. She was born June 4, 1875, in Heber, Utah.

Their first home was in Center, Wasatch County. James had built a two-room house on some land he owned there. Later, they moved to Park City and James worked in the Ontario mine for three years. They then bought their home in Heber, where they spent the rest of their lives.

James Campbell loved horses and worked at the livery stable for many years. He always said a horse would do what you wanted him to do if you were kind to it. He could never see a horse abused.

When the survey was made for roads in what was then the Indian Reservation, James Campbell was in charge of the horses needed for the engineer, Richard R. Lyman. At this time he made friends with the Indians

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who were opposed to these inroads on their territory and helped them to understand.

He was a great reader and a good penman. His family looked forward to their evenings when their father would read to them. Storytelling was an art in which he excelled.

People who knew James Campbell will remember his beautiful garden with its long straight rows of vegetables. He and his wife worked together in their flower garden. No modern hobby worker ever excels the flowers produced by this couple.

James Campbell loved his neighbors and their children, and they loved him and often sought his advice.

"Aunt Maud," as she was called by her friends and relatives, was known for her nursing ability. She assisted at the birth of many babies and was the bedside attendant of many who were ill. She was always well-groomed, and her beautiful gray hair was always admired.

She died in Heber March 14, 1955.

Their children: Glen P. (married Rachel Millicent Lichfield), Thomas Milton (married Blanch Allison; they were divorced and he married LaRue York), Lovina (married Louis Dewey Johnson), Grant (died at the age of 12), and Elizabeth (married Alvie Sweat).